

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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National Livestock Mission
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the National Livestock Mission being implemented by the Government and the number of farmers benefitted through the Mission;
- (b) whether the Government has made provisions for insurance for livestock under the National Livestock Mission and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the status of the National Livestock Mission in Bihar?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

a) The Government is implementing National Livestock Mission (NLM) since 2014-15 and is continuing during the current year with broad objectives to cover all the activities required to ensure improvement in livestock sector especially small ruminants in the country. This Mission is formulated with the objective of sustainable development of livestock sector focusing on improving availability of quality feed and fodder, risk coverage, effective extension, etc. with the following four Sub-Missions:

1. Sub-Mission on Livestock Development,
2. Sub-Mission on Pig Development in North-eastern Region,
3. Sub-Mission on Fodder and Feed Development,
4. Sub-Mission on Skill Development, Technology Transfer and Extension.

As per available information, the number of beneficiary farmers funded for assistance during last 3 years is at annexure I.

(b) Yes, Madam. National Livestock Mission (NLM) has been implementing Risk Management and Insurance component under Sub-mission of Livestock Development from the year 2014-15 in conjunction with State Governments. The 'Risk Management & Insurance' as component of sub-mission on livestock development of NLM is implemented in all the Districts of the Country. The indigenous / crossbred milch animals, pack animals (Horses, Donkey, Mules, Camels, Ponies and Cattle/ Buffalo Male) and Other livestock (Goat, Sheep, Pig, Rabbit, Yak and Mithun) are under the purview of the 'Risk Management & Insurance'. Benefit of subsidy is restricted to 5 animals per beneficiary per household for all animals except sheep, goat, pig and rabbit. In case of sheep, goat, pig and rabbit, the benefit of subsidy is restricted based on 'Cattle Unit' and one cattle unit is equal to 10 animals i.e for sheep, goat, pig and rabbit. The animals indicated above are covered for all the States / UTs.

(c) As per available information, an amount of Rs. 692.75 lakh has been released under NLM to the State Government of Bihar during 2014-15 in which Rs. 441.21 Lakh is lying unspent. For the year 2015-16 and 2016-17, funds could not be released due to unspent balance lying with the State Government of Bihar.